



# Data Access and Storage of Earth Science Data in the Cloud Experiments in Collaboration

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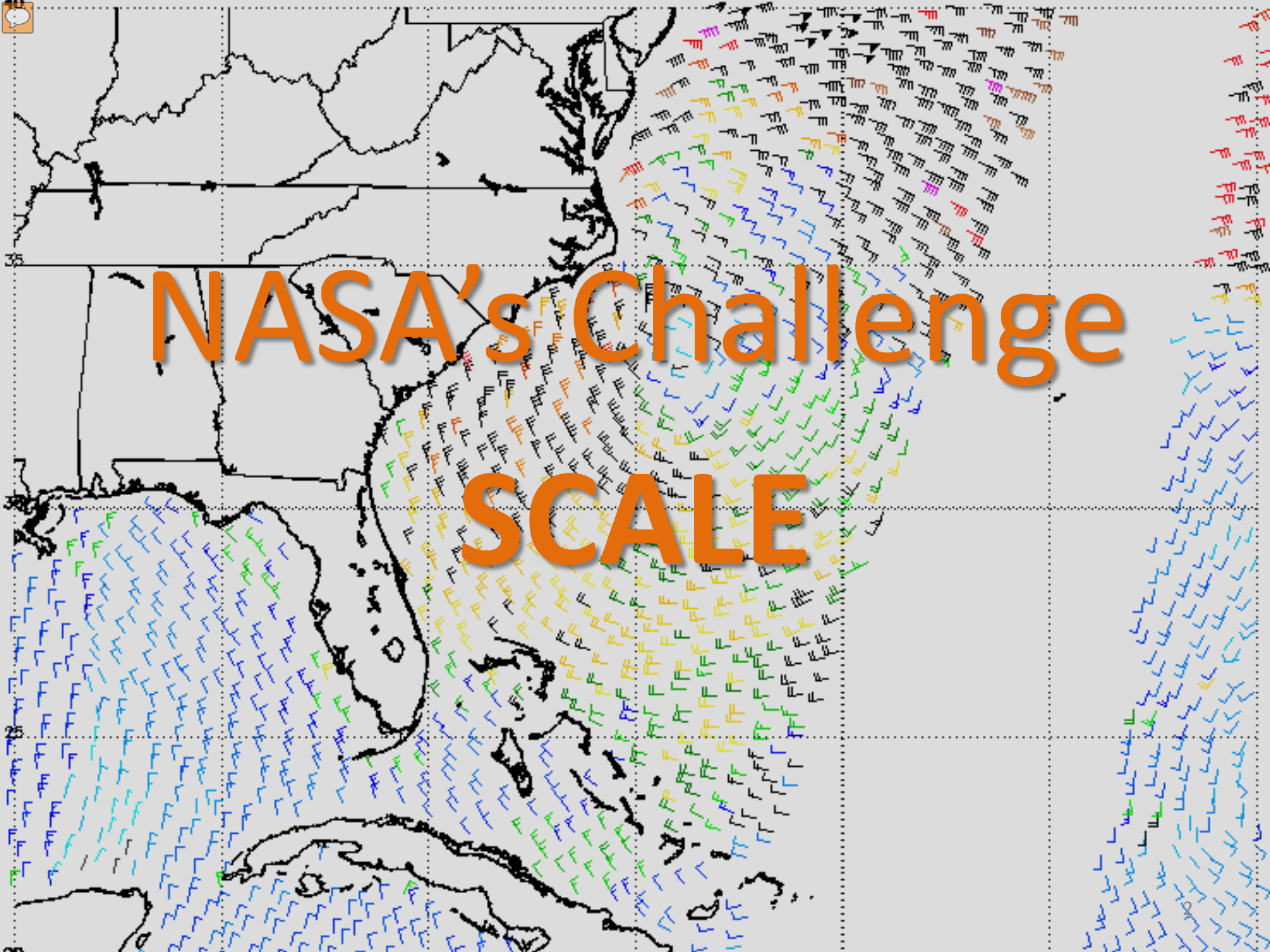
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# NASA's Challenge SCALE



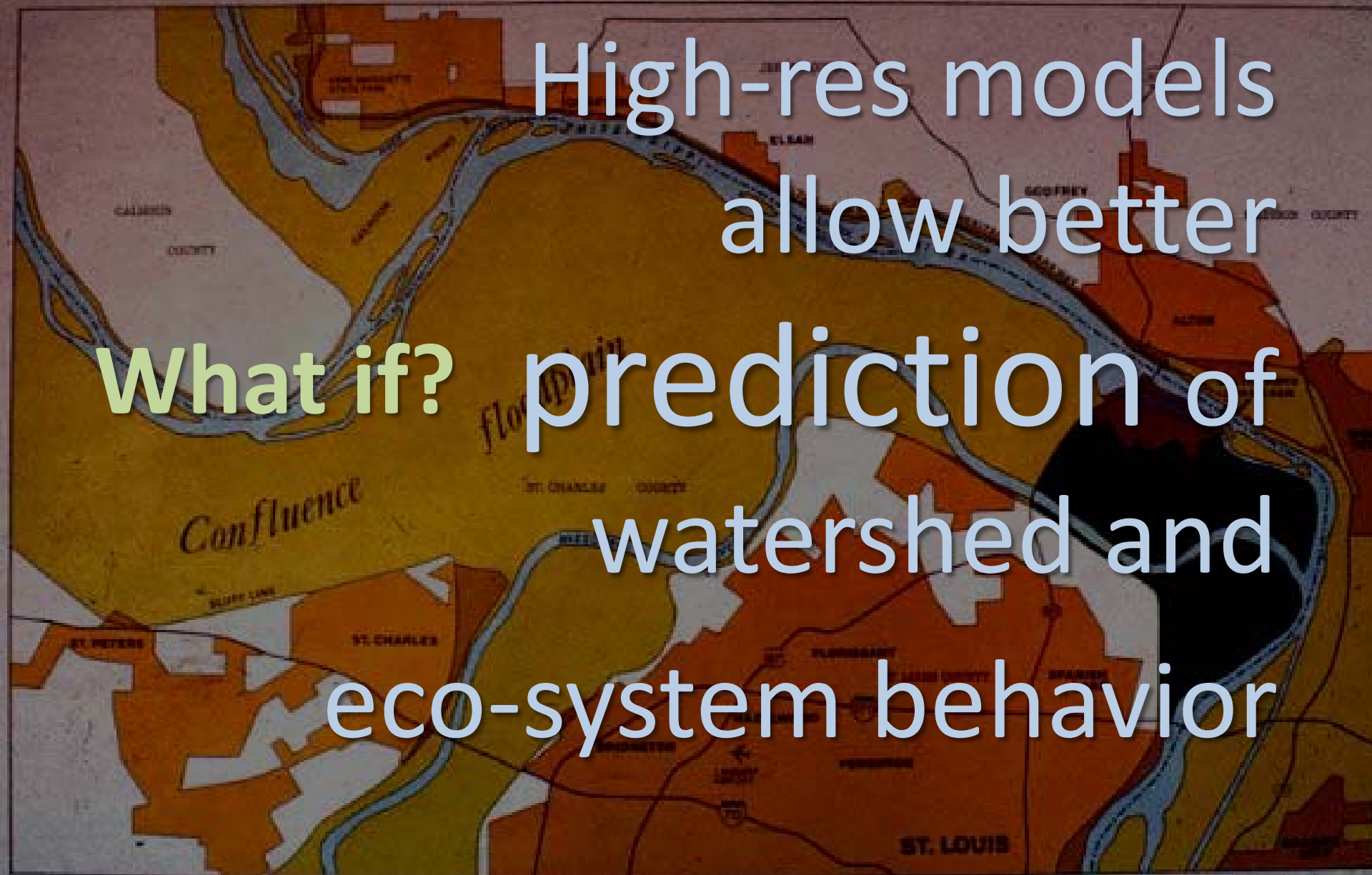


The right data could  
**What if?** be accessed  
quickly and easily  
for decision support





Real-time disaster  
**What if?** data integration  
empowering  
rescue and recovery  
workers



High-res models  
allow better

What if? prediction of  
watershed and  
eco-system behavior



GREAT RIVERS CONFLUENCE







Consumers could make  
**What if?** real and timely  
climate-relevant  
decisions





What if?

Students and  
researchers had  
intuitive  
real-time tools



Cloud services can help.





The dialogue must begin and  
end with Data Sensitivity

Up-front investment may be significant

Prototypes flesh out what will  
and won't work

New Skill sets required



# Reward

*Elasticity*

*On-Demand Computing*

*Pay-as-you-go*

*Resource pooling*

*Facilitating collaboration*





Sea

Collaboration enables  
the answers to complexity.

plume

Hydro Island

clouds

new island

Rugged Island



More Options





# Reach Out



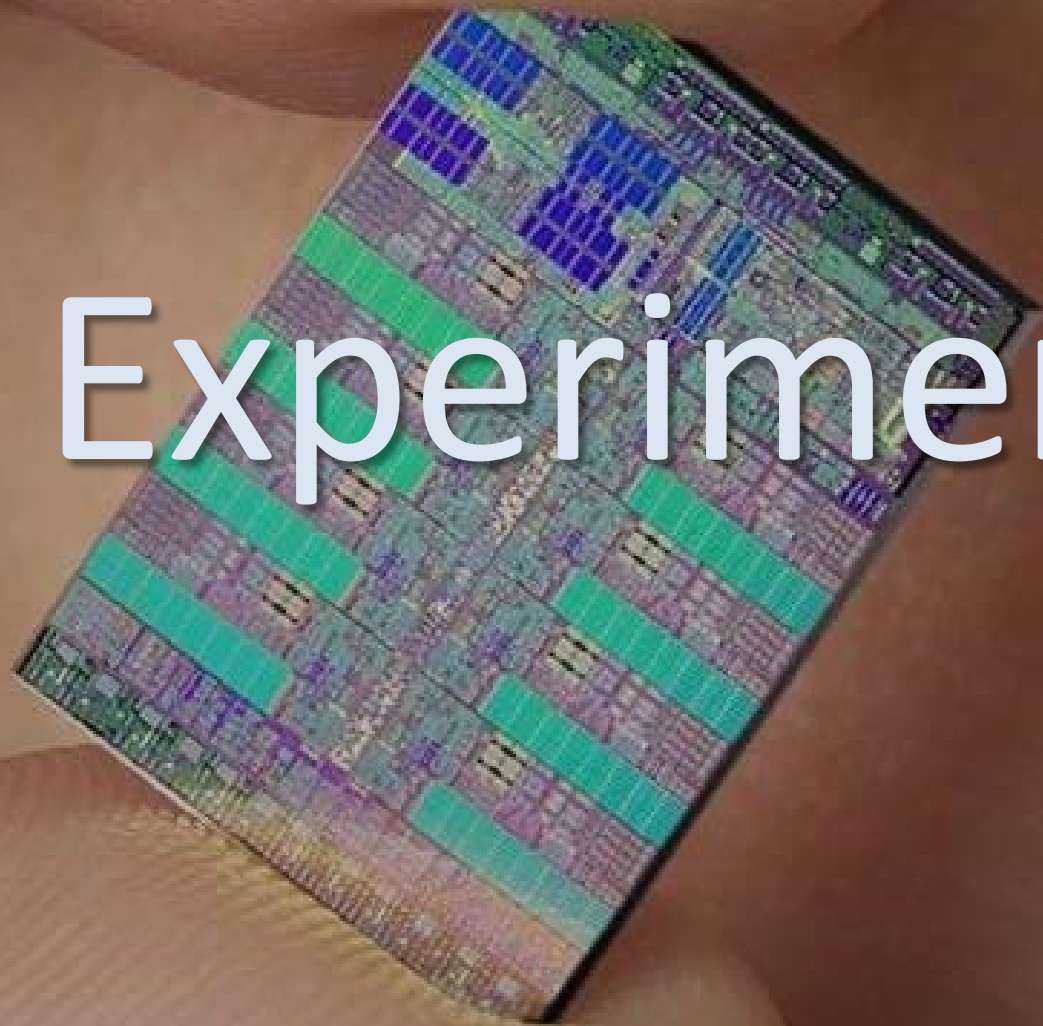


# Sustainable Infrastructures and Architectures





# Small Experiments





# Pilot with partners

Data Storage Cloud

DaaS

Virtual Desktop



Ongoing Prototype

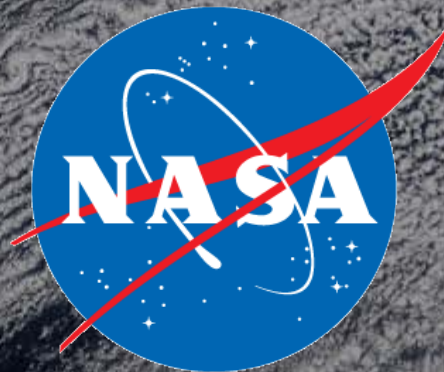
# Goddard Data Storage Cloud Pilot Project







# Think: Data as a Service







# Goddard Persistent Virtual Desktop





# Collaboration Efforts

An aerial photograph of a mountainous region, likely the Himalayas, showing a deep river valley with a winding river. The terrain is rugged and covered in dense vegetation, with various shades of green, brown, and grey. The text is overlaid on the center of the image.

Continuing to lay the  
groundwork  
for collaboration





# ESIP Community Challenges

Effective utilization and optimization of computing storage and communications resources

Fault tolerant systems that continuously aggregate and process data while ensuring integrity

Tracking how, when, and where data are created and modified (Provenance)

Machine to Machine computing (remove human factor)





# Questions?

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